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### **Wyo. Army National Guard Soldiers to return home Friday**

CHEYENNE – The Wyoming Army National Guard's 25 maintenance Soldiers, who have been deployed to Afghanistan since March 2006, are scheduled to arrive in Wyoming at approximately 10 a.m. on Friday at the Wyoming National Guard Joint Force Headquarters.

They will be greeted by Gov. Dave Freudenthal and Wyoming National Guard command staff before being led to their families. A brief welcome home ceremony will follow. The arrival event will take place at the Raper Armory.

Members of the public are invited to join the Soldiers' families in welcoming the unit home. The Raper Armory will be open to family members, media and the public at 9 a.m., one hour before the unit's chartered bus is scheduled to arrive.

"We are pleased to have the Soldiers home. They performed at the highest level of excellence while deployed. They all are heroes," said Maj. Gen. Ed Wright, Wyoming's adjutant general.

The Wyoming Army National Guard Soldiers deployed to Afghanistan for Operation Enduring Freedom with the 207th Interim Brigade Combat Team to assist the 10th Mountain Division. They arrived at Fort Richardson, Alaska, May 31 for out processing activities.

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Note: Members of the media wishing to attend the June 8 even should call Candidate Christian Venhuizen at (307)772-5040 for access to the base.